

# NEW FACES IN 1915, STATE LEGISLATURE



JOHN G. POTTER,  
Representative, Griswold



FRANCIS H. JOHNSON,  
Representative, Lisbon



WILLIAM B. MITCHELL,  
Representative, Preston



STEPHEN B. SWEET,  
Representative, Voluntown



NELSON L. STARK,  
Representative, Bozrah



JOSEPH H. HENDERSON,  
Representative, Norwich



LYLE C. GRAY,  
Representative, North Stonington

To the membership of the Connecticut legislature of 1915 the towns of New London county and the senatorial districts in this southeastern section of the state will send 21 republican representatives, nine democratic representatives and three republican senators, nearly all of whom will be new faces in the legislature of the state.

## Representatives.

New London county's list of representatives is printed below, the names of the towns being followed by the names of the representatives-elect, their politics, age, birthplace, occupation, and whether married or single:

**Bozrah**—Nelson L. Stark, r, 37, Bozrah, farmer, married, justice of the peace and now second selectman.

**Colchester**—Daniel W. Williams, r, 39, Salem, farmer, married, Curtis P. Brown, r, South Coventry, manufacturer, married.

**East Lyme**—Marion R. Davis, r, 22, East Lyme, lawyer, married.

**Franklin**—C. Huntington Lathrop, r, 22, Franklin, farmer, single. Was 21 when he was elected but has since passed his 23rd birthday.

**Griswold**—John Potter, d, 45, Voluntown, farmer, widower, has been justice of the peace, school visitor, selectman, deputy judge of town court and in legislature in 1895.

**Groton**—Charles T. Crandall, r, 41, New York, machinist foreman, married. For three years (1910-1912), was school committee of the 16th school district, of the town of Groton. Charles H. Kenyon, r, 41, Norwich, retired, married. Burgess of the borough of Groton, 1913, and road commissioner the same year.

**Lebanon**—Frederick N. Taylor, r, 36, Lebanon, farmer, married. Registrar of voters for about 10 years, messenger of the house in session of 1909. James A. Thomas, r, 43, Lebanon, farmer, married.

**Ledyard**—Joseph D. Austin, d, 39, Bradford, R. I., farmer, married, assessor and on board of selectmen for third year, serving second year as first selectman.

**Lisbon**—Francis H. Johnson, r, 37, Plainfield, farmer, married, tax collector and constable.



BENJAMIN H. HEWITT,  
Senator 20th District

**Lyme**—John S. Hall, d, 45, Lyme, merchant, married. Charles W. Pierson, d, 40, Lyme, mason and contractor, married.

**Montville**—Matt A. Tinker, r, 50, Montville, farmer and auctioneer, married, constable, assessor, selectman, five years on town school committee.

**New London**—Frank Q. Cronin, r, 32, New London, lawyer, single. Cyrus W. Brown, r, 48, North Stonington, married.

**North Stonington**—Clarence E. Palmer, d, 35, Mansfield, farmer, married. Lyle C. Gray, d, 38, North Stonington, dairyman, married, member of town school board (1911-1912), auditor since 1912 and registrar of voters since 1913.

**Norwich**—Albert J. Bailey, r, 32, Bozrah, lawyer, married. Joseph H. Henderson, r, 38, Waddington, St. Lawrence county, N. Y., business man, widower, has been councilman and selectman.

**Old Lyme**—Joseph S. Huntington, d, 46, Old Lyme, unemployed, single.

**Preston**—Eckford G. Pendleton, r, 53, Preston, market gardener and Jersey cattle, married, third selectman in 1912, second selectman in 1914. William B. Mitchell, r, 23, Westbury, R. I., draftsman, married.

**Salem**—J. Frank Rogers, r, 60, Norwich, farmer and merchant, single.

**Sprague**—Irene L. Buteau, d, 31, Baltic, merchant, married.

**Stonington**—Elias F. Wilcox, r, 54, Mystic, corporation president, married, now serving third year as selectman. Bourdon A. Babcock, r, 37, New York, machinist, married.

**Voluntown**—Stephen B. Sweet, d, 24, Franklin, meat business, married.

**Waterford**—Stanley D. Morgan, r, 25, Waterford, farmer, married.

## Senators-Elect from Three Districts.

New London county is made up of the Eighteenth, Nineteenth and Twentieth senatorial districts. Information concerning the senators-elect from these districts follows:

**Eighteenth**—Lucius E. Whiton, r, 52, lives in New London, born in Stafford, manufacturer, widower.



JOHN H. BARNES,  
Senator 19th District

**Nineteenth**—John Holyoke Barnes, r, 50, lives in Norwich, born in Norwich, lawyer, married, member of the house 1897, senate 1899, city attorney from July 1, 1897 to July 1, 1899, deputy judge of city court of the city of Norwich since July 1, 1907.

**Twentieth**—Benjamin H. Hewitt, r, 36, lives in Mystic, born in North Stonington, lawyer, single, prosecuting attorney for the town court of Stonington from May 1, 1911 to July 15, 1912.

## Statistics of the Senate.

In the membership of the Connecticut senate of 1915 there will be 29 natives of the state and one each of New York and Ohio. Three of the senators were born in Ireland and one is of Swedish birth. There are 27 married and eight single men among them. One widower is included in the number of the latter.

The oldest senator-elect is Dwight Tuttle of the Twelfth district, who is 68, and the youngest is Henry H. Lyman of the Twenty-third, who is in his 26th year. There are 18 lawyers among the senators, three farmers, a physician, four manufacturers and the balance have various other occupations. The next senate will have five democrats and 24 republicans. The house of 1915 will be divided politically as follows: Democrats 60, republicans 156, progressives 1. The oldest member of the next house will be Charles H. Clark of Southington, who is 82 years old.

## Youngest in the House.

The youngest member of the house will be C. Huntington Lathrop from the town of Franklin, in New London county. Mr. Lathrop was not 22 when he was elected but has since passed that birthday. There are 211 representatives married, 32 single and 15 are widowers. A large percentage of the members are natives of the state for which they will make laws. Of the entire membership 197 were born in Connecticut. There were 49 born in other states, so that all but 19 of the members were born in the United States. The 19 of foreign birth are divided among the following countries: England 3, Scotland 1, Ireland 4, Russia, 1, Germany 2, Denmark, 1, Italy 1, Austria 1, Canada 4, New Zealand 1.



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Representative, Colchester



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Representative, Norwich



C. HUNTINGTON LATHROP,  
Representative, Franklin



ECKFORD G. PENDLETON,  
Representative, Preston



CHARLES H. KENYON,  
Representative, Groton



ELIAS F. WILCOX,  
Representative, Stonington

## LETTERS FROM TWO STATES

### Windham County WINDHAM

About 80 at Annual Supper—Observance of Christmas Sunday.

The members of the Congregational Sunday school and friends were given their annual supper Christmas eve. There were about 80 who enjoyed the cocoa, sandwiches and cake provided. Following the supper was a program of songs, duets and recitations by the younger members of the school under the leadership of Mrs. H. C. Lathrop with her sister, Miss Josephine Keeney, at the piano. A pretty tree with gifts for the children gave much pleasure. Supt. H. C. Lathrop was given a handsome traveling bag by his class of boys and a few friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Benoni Bates spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. A. E. Saunders of Westfield, Mass.

**Christmas Sunday Observance.**

Christmas Sunday was observed by special services and music. A quartette assisted the choir at the Congregational church in this morning and also sang the entire musical service at St. Paul's church in the afternoon. The members were Mrs. R. G. Waterous, Miss Emma Larrabee, Albert Brown and Rev. W. M. Brown. The C. E. Society was led by Philip Hopkins and Keeney Lathrop. Julia Guild and Margery Sherman sang a duet.

Lester and Alfred Eaton left Saturday to spend the remainder of the holidays in Vermont. Ralph Eaton joins his brother Lester at Bellows Falls academy Monday.

**To Address Young People.**

At the Congregational church tomorrow morning Rev. M. H. Plumb will speak especially to those young people who have united with the church during the past year. The communion service will be held after the sermon. The C. E. society will hold its monthly consecration meeting at 7.30. The meeting will be held at the new president, Miss Harriet Guild.

Rev. and Mrs. E. Plumb spent New Year's in Bridgeport.

Mrs. Daisy Campbell James of Worcester and Bert Eastman spent Christmas at Frank Eastman's. Mr. Eastman has just returned from a business trip in the west. While there he called on three former Windham young people, Miss Lucy Bemis, in Ohio; George Bates, Great Falls, Mon., and William Lyman.

Among guests in town for the holidays are Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McGuire of Brooklyn, N. Y., at Dr. Guild's; Misses Annie Bemis and Evelyn Baldwin of New Britain at Frank Tingley's; Alan Guild has returned from a few days' visit with Ned Thompson in New York.

About 3000 electrical vehicles are in use in Europe. The United States leads in the use of the electric automobile.

### CANTERBURY GREEN

Plans for Cottage Meetings in Observance of Week of Prayer—Personal.

At the Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday evening at 7 o'clock there will take place the installation of officers. This will also be a consecration meeting.

Next week being the Week of Prayer, cottage meetings will be held in different sections of the parish. The first meeting Tuesday night will be held at Mr. and Mrs. Fred Safford's, subject, Prayer for a Clearer Consciousness of God's Presence, and for Assurance of His Power. John: 21-24; Mark 4: 35-41.

Wednesday night's meeting will be at Mr. and Mrs. Brown's on Black Hill. Subject, Prayer for Spiritual Preparation for the New Year. Gal. 1: 11-17.

Thursday's meeting at Mrs. M. A. Francis. Prayer for the Personal Practice of Christian Love. Micah 6: 6-8; 1 John 3: 11-19.

Friday at Mrs. T. L. Wilson's, Prayer for Christian Progress in the World. Isaiah 35; Matt. 13: 31-33.

All these meetings will be held at 7.30 p. m. The Lord's supper will be observed Sunday morning following the usual services, this being the first Sunday of the new year.

The pastor spent three days in Hartford this week.

Mr. Hyde of Brooklyn, N. Y., visited his aunt, Mrs. M. A. Francis, this week.

Mrs. Hiram Hawes, with her daughter, Miss Elsie, is visiting in New York city and Central Valley, N. Y. Mrs. Hawes' former home.

### CLARK'S CORNERS

Surprise Visit—School Children Have Entertainment, Tree and Christmas Cake.

Eugene Fairbanks has moved his family to Lawrence, Mass.

**Surprise Party.** Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Martin were given a surprise party Tuesday when about forty friends from Chaplin appeared at their home well laden with food. All enjoyed a dinner and jolly time.

**School Entertainment.** School closed with a Christmas entertainment on the evening of Dec. 18. The room was attractively decorated with red and green and a large Christmas tree filled one corner. The room was filled with parents and friends to hear the following programme:

Overture, phonograph; welcome, Viola Navin; Old Christmas, Ralph Barker; A Rest for Santa, Helen Navin; Hear the Chimes, school; Old Heidelberg, phonograph; Christmas Presents, William Scott; Little Santa Claus, Pauline Vickers; The First Christmas, Luther; When Snow Birds Cross the Valley, phonograph; Playing Christmas, Paul, Helen and Viola Navin; A

### Boy's Christmas, John Navin, Luther Martin, William Scott; Glad Christmas, Bella, school; Jack's Tree, Viola Navin; A Christmas Wish, Paul Navin; Mary's Christmas, play by school; A Christmas Suggestion, Martin Navin; Beautiful Birds, phonograph; Mrs. Rand's Christmas, play by school; Farewell, Helen Navin; Christmas Bells.

The teacher and children received gifts from the well laden tree. The children were then served Christmas cake, presented them as in years past by Mrs. R. E. Clarke.

**Personal.** Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Palmer and son have been spending a week with Mrs. Palmer's parents.

E. H. Clark spent Christmas day at his daughter's, in Scotland.

Allie Gardiner spent Christmas with his son in Norwich.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton H. White were guests of Mrs. White's parents for Christmas.

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**CENTRAL VILLAGE**

Skating on the Street—Funeral of Alpheus Rider—Personal Items.

Jerome Raymond and Beatrice Lafrance, who attend school in Canada, are spending their vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ursula Lafrance.

Ellie Gardiner of Pawtucket, R. I., is at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Carpenter, on account of the illness of Mrs. Gardner.

Charles and Mrs. R. I. was a Monday visitor here.

Motorman Thomas Weaver has been off duty on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hall of South Killingly were Sunday guests at William Dean's.

The young people have been enjoying skating on the street this week.

Miss Helen W. Tillinghast has been the guest of her cousin, Miss Dorothy Tillinghast, in Plainfield.

Mrs. Ruby Johnson and son Howard, Miss Grace Coons, Mrs. Blanche Woolley and two children, of New Jersey, and Mrs. Ada Holgerson and Harold Holgerson of New York are at the home of August Holgerson on account of the critical illness of Mrs. Holgerson.

Miss Blanche Caplette is spending several days with relatives in Putnam.

Alfred Hill has recovered from his recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Whitney are visiting relatives in Amherst, Mass.

Mrs. Frank Edgerton and daughter, Hazel have returned from Millville, R. I. where they have been visiting relatives.

John I. Sheldon of Virginia has been visiting his parents for a few days.

Peter Bourque was in Baltic Tuesday to attend the funeral of his cousin, Mrs. Louise Dubois.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Rouse have gone to St. Cloud, Florida, to spend the winter at their home.

### kins Hollow, R. I., for burial in the family lot.

Miss Mary J. Lee has returned from several weeks' stay with friends in Putnam.

Miss Olive Dutton of Greenville visited Mrs. Howard Clarke Wednesday.

**At Norwich Wedding.** Mrs. Frederick Tillinghast and Miss Josephine Armstrong were in Norwich Saturday to attend the Sage-Wilberly wedding.

Mrs. Eba Huntington of Putnam has been visiting her son, Eba Huntington.

Mrs. Amos Peck of R. I. is here, has been spending several days here on account of the death of her father, Alpheus Rider.

Willis Torrey has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. George Baker of Putnam.

**Death of Mrs. Wayland Gage—Auction at Armstrong Place.**

Grace Gage, wife of Wayland Gage, died at her home here Wednesday morning after a long and painful illness. She leaves her husband and brother, Wendall Witter, of this place.

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**Holiday Home Comers.** The holidays called home many from out of town, among them Miss Maud Healy of Bridgeport, Miss Bernice Leavitt of Hartford, James V. Perrin of Riviere de Loup, Canada; Ethel Barrett and Raymond Benson of Easthampton, Mass.

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### recitations, scripture reading and an address by the Rev. Mr. McKnight, and remarks by F. W. Martin, the superintendent of the Sunday school. Each brought an abundance of candy and an orange. A social time with refreshments followed in the vestry.

**Given Pleasant Surprise.** Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Martin were completely surprised about noon Tuesday when a number of teams loaded with a jolly company drove up to their door to give them a surprise, which was well carried out. There were 34 who made up the party. The visitors brought an abundance of eatables with them and all sat down to a fine chicken pie dinner, which was thoroughly enjoyed.

A number of the farmers have been cutting ten inch ice this week.

There was a social in the Christian Mission chapel at South Chaplin on Wednesday evening.

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### Pearl, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pearl and family, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Pearl, Miss Flora Pearl, Miss Evelyn Pearl, Miss Mary Pearl and Orin Phillips.

Miss S. E. Burchinal entertained friends on Christmas day.

Arthur Pitts was recently taken to St. Joseph's Hospital.

Lewis Washburn was recently operated on there for appendicitis.

Miss Abbe Fuller spent last Friday at George E. Fitts'.

Miss S. E. Hicks is spending the holidays at C. B. Hicks'.

Miss Florence Porter, who recently spent a few days with her parents, has returned to New Rochelle, N. Y.

**Open Meeting of Grange.** At its last regular meeting, Little River grange held a social and the meeting was on the 25th. As it was open to the public everyone enjoyed a good time.

**Dance at the Grange.** An informal dance was given by Carl Jewett at the Annex Wednesday evening. Hoffman's orchestra furnishing the music. Ten couples enjoyed the dancing. Guests were present from Hartford, Springfield and Williamstown. The patronesses were Mrs. A. L. Mills, Mrs. Frank Congdon, Mrs. George Thompson and Mrs. C. B. Jewett.

**DAYVILLE**

Yuletide and New Year's Guests and Travelers—Miss Bennett to Study at Storrs.

Mrs. Mary Street and Miss Maud Street were Christmas and week end guests of Mrs. Lewis Grove of Providence.

Raymond Burnett spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Burnett.

Miss Florence Millish expects to spend three months in Melrose, Mass.

Miss Dorothy Boland and Harold Boland of Westchester have been visiting at the home of Miss Florence Millish.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ormsbee and son have returned after spending the holidays in Concord, N. H.

Mrs. Fred Travers has as Christmas guests Miss Mattie Leavens of Hartford and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leavens of Central Village.

Mr. and Mrs. Sabin S. Russell, Mrs. C. A. Russell and Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Bidwell spent New Year's with Mrs. Clifton W. Atwood of Danielson.

Miss Ruth Bennett started Saturday for a two months' course in study at Storrs college.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vincent and son are spending the week with Caleb Blanchard and family.